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## Declaration in Support of Accompanying Petition to Make Special Reason X - Relates to HIV/AIDS or Cancer Reason XI - Counters Terrorism

In support of the accompanying Petition to Make Special, applicant declares as follows:

- 1. I am the applicant in the above-identified patent application.
- 2. The invention of the above application will significantly advance technology for the early detection and diagnosis of cancers. Most cancers can now be treated if detected early enough, significantly improve the survival rate.
- 3. Specifically, by discovering more biomarkers indicative of cancer or cancer onset, and the ability to rapidly examine hundreds of these biomarkers using very little amount of clinical samples make the diagnostic test much easier and more reliable. The technology itself will also make available many tests that are currently not possible.
- 4. This invention also provides technology for a rapid diagnostic test for early detection of biological/chemical warfare exposure. Most of the bioterrorism agents were selected for use because the affected symptoms can be misdiagnosed as common ailments. Such diagnostic tests make a difference in early detection, containment, and treatment of affected population. The ability to accurately detect biological agent exposure early and successfully treating affected individuals would also make these warfare agents less effective and can help curbing their use in the future.
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